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[] A.	and/or B and fill in blanks, if appropriate.) Document(s) is (are) deemed substantially cumulative to document(s), and, in accordance with 1.98(c), only a copy of each of the latter documents is
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se	concise explanation of the relevance of document(s) is found in the attached earch report (see reply to Comment 68 in the preamble to the final rules; 1135 OG 13 20).
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- 4. No explanation of relevance is necessary for documents in the English language (see reply to Comments 67 and 68 in the preamble to the final rules; 1135 OG 13 at 20).
 - [] 5. Other information being provided for the examiner's consideration follows:
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CROSS REFERENCE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.78 TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.78, Applicant notes that the above-identified patent application may be related to the following U.S. Patent Applications:

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